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Receipt is acknowledged of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) and a submission, filed on 10/22/02. The submission, however, is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because the proposed amendments are not fully legible. Specifically, letters/numbers in the equation(s) recited in claims 8, 18, and 28 are blurred in both the "clean" and "marked up" copies of the claims. In addition, the combination of font and "blurring" apparently due to the FAX process has rendered the "marked-up" version of the claims illegible; some words appear to be missing altogether in the copy received by the examiner. The examiner regrets the inconvenience and requests that applicants send a new copy of both "clean" and "marked up" versions of the amended claims, and further requests that applicant use a different font than that in the amendment filed 10/22/02. If applicant chooses to FAX the new copies of the claims, then the examiner further requests that applicant use a larger font size so that all numbers/letters in the equations are clear. The examiner recommends that applicant NOT use an "outline" or "ghost" style font, as this appears to be the cause of the missing/illegible words in the current copy of the "marked up" claims. Added material in the claims is normally indicated by underlining and deleted material by bracketing; use of a different font style is not necessary. Since the submission appears to be a bona fide attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period for reply supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Marjorie A. Moran whose telephone number is (703) 305-2363. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday, 7:30 am to 4 pm EST. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Woodward can be reached on (703) 308-4028. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 308-4242 for regular communications and (703) 872-9306 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3524.

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